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The Honorable Michael Johanns  
U.S. Secretary of Agriculture  
14<sup>th</sup> Street & Independence Avenue  
Room 200-A, Administration Building  
Washington, DC 20250

Dear Secretary Johanns:

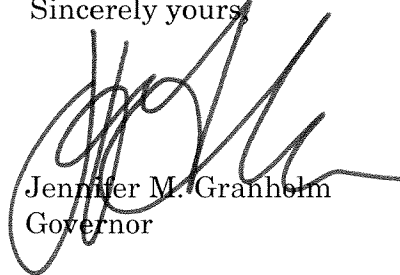
A natural disaster has occurred in the state of Michigan that will result in 2006 production losses in fruit, vegetables and various other crops. Consistent with United States Department of Agriculture policy, we are informing you of the current situation in Michigan.

The following weather event occurred: Beginning April 26, 2006 and continuing, several storms containing one or more of the following (excessive rain, flooding, hail and high winds), occurred in several Michigan counties. The following thirty (30) counties have been impacted:

Antrim	Grand Traverse	Kent	Macomb	Newaygo
Bay	Hillsdale	Leelanau	Mason	Oceana
Benzie	Ingham	Lenawee	Mecosta	Sanilac
Berrien	Ionia	Livingston	Midland	Shiawassee
Chippewa	Isabella	Luce	Monroe	St. Clair
Genesee	Jackson	Mackinac	Muskegon	St. Joseph

Damage assessment information is being collected by the USDA Farm Service Agency and will be forwarded to your office as soon as it is available after October 1, 2006. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Jennifer M. Granholm  
Governor

cc: U.S. Rep. Peter Hoekstra  
U.S. Rep. David Camp  
Sen. Gerald VanWoerkom  
Sen. Michelle McManus  
Sen. Jason Allen

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